PATENT

F0630

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being faxed to 703-872-9306 on the date shown below to Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

Date: 12/10/04

Casey J. Mortin

RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

DEC 1 0 2004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:

Applicant(s): Arvind Halliyal, et al.

Examiner: M

Mary C. Baran

Serial No:

09/845,231

Art Unit:

2857

Filing Date:

April 30, 2001

Title:

SCATTEROMETRY AND ACOUSTIC BASED ACTIVE CONTROL OF

THIN FILM DEPOSITION PROCESS

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 18, 2004

Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and comments below.